

THE WATER OF LIFE.

ALL WHO HAVE TRIED IT RECOMMEND MOUNT VERNON SPRINGS WATER.

A Splendid Situation Whereon to Build Up a Town as a County Seat—A Resort Both for Winter and Summer.

(Staff Cor. STATE CHRONICLE.)
 Mr. VERNON SPRINGS, N. C., June 19.
 While we know full well that there are hundreds of people throughout this and other States that know of the existence of this lovely spot, and can testify to the benefit which they have received by drinking this water, we desire through the columns of the CHRONICLE to reach others who have not heard of this valuable natural remedy for the many diseases that the human flesh is heir to. If by so doing we can be of service to our fellow man, we will feel amply paid for our trouble. In the beginning we wish to say that this is written by one who has been here a good many times within the last four or five years, having been benefited myself, witnessed the improvement in others, I will, for the good of those who are seeking health and rest, endeavor in a plain way to tell something about this place.

The Situation.
 In the western part of Chatham county, one mile from Ore Hill, (which is a station on the C. & F. V. Railroad, about forty miles from Greensboro, fifty-eight miles from Fayetteville and eighteen miles from Pittsboro, the county seat) surrounded by as pretty rolling country as the eye ever beheld, and shaded by large majestic oaks, is to be found this Water of Life, which for ages has never ceased to bubble up from the crevices of a solid rock, a depth of about five feet from the bottom. It is said that the Indians were the first to discover this spring, and the oldest inhabitant in this section cannot remember of ever hearing any one older than himself say that this spring has ever failed, even in the very driest season. It is not one of those gushing, roaring, rushing, bold streams, but flows smoothly and noiselessly on as time passes away fulfilling the mission which the Great Creator intended for it to fulfill, which is to give Life, Health and Happiness to man and beast.

The analysis of this water as given below will speak for itself.

The North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station.

H. B. BATTLE, Ph. D., DIRECTOR.

Analysis Number 494.
 RALEIGH, N. C., August 31, 1893.

SIR:—The sample of mineral water sent to the Station for analysis, in a jug marked No. 1, containing one U. S. gallon, contains:

SOLIDS:	
Potassium Sulphate.....	6.244 grains.
Sodium.....	1.286 "
Calcium.....	11.856 "
Chloride.....	1.833 "
Carbonate.....	6.734 "
Magnesium.....	1.065 "
Silica.....	.859 "
Oxide of Iron and Alumina.....	1.184 "
Volatiles and organic matter and loss.....	11.411 "
Total.....	42.492 "

NOTE:—A water with high medicinal properties.

H. B. BATTLE, Director.

SIR:—The sample of mineral water sent to the Station for analysis, in a jug marked No. 2, containing one U. S. gallon, contains:

SOLIDS:	
Potassium sulphate.....	148 grains.
Potassium chloride.....	855 "
Sodium chloride.....	267 "
Sodium carbonate.....	615 "
Calcium carbonate.....	1,052 "
Magnesium carbonate.....	572 "
Silica.....	518 "
Oxide of iron and Alumina.....	816 "
Volatiles and organic matter and loss.....	6,637 "
Total.....	11,480 "

NOTE:—Should have some medicinal properties, but not so great as No. 1.

H. B. BATTLE, Director.

Among gentlemen of reputation and note, who had ample opportunity to learn of the curative properties of this water, and who have voluntarily given their testimonials, are: B. K. Gregory, M. D., of Greensboro, N. C.; John M. Waddell, Heidsieck, N. C.; John M. Manning, M. D., Durham, N. C.; James A. Hodges, M. D., Fayetteville, N. C.; W. C. McDuffie, M. D., Fayetteville, N. C. I might go on and enumerate the many diseases, and the names of the parties that have been benefited and cured by coming to Mt. Vernon, but I think the names mentioned are sufficient to satisfy any one as to a recommendation; and by writing to any of them you can obtain much more satisfactory information regarding what this water is good for than this writer can furnish. Long before the late war this place was noted as a summer resort, and at one time the Baptists had a flourishing school here, or both boys and girls (and by the way, it seems to me, that there is no finer location to be found anywhere to establish a school on a large scale than right here). There are standing, within two hundred yards of the springs, buildings in good repair, sufficient to carry on a school of about one hundred and fifty to two hundred students. I do not mean boarding capacity, but there would be no trouble in that direction, as there are any number of good families living in the immediate neighborhood that would take boarders.

Mr. J. M. Foust, the clever proprietor of this property, became the owner about nine years ago, and with the aid of his good lady (who I know to be a good house keeper,) has gone on in a quiet way giving accommodations (at a very moderate charge) to those spending the summer, or a portion of it with them. Mr. Foust's attractive little hotel sets up on a hill surrounded with large shade trees. The house has been added to from time to time as was required to accommodate the guest, and now there are three two-story buildings, all connected with and under a lower veranda running the full length of the front of the buildings. Mr. Foust is a high-toned christian gentleman, and would scorn to mislead the public by promising to give them all kinds of fashionable recreation that is sought after by so many people of the present day. There is no ball-room with the cornet and the voice of the band fiddle making night almost hid-

dious to the poor, tired and worn-out body and over-taxed brain, that has left the counting room or the busy home of business to rest and give nature some little time for recuperation. But when you retire at night, you are sure to find that sweet, refreshing sleep that is beneficial both to the body and mind. The spring is down at the bottom of the hill about two hundred yards from the hotel, and not far from Mr. Foust has erected a ten pin alley, where his guest can have as much exercise and enjoyment as they want. He can also accommodate those who desire to ride over the country, for he keeps horses and vehicles for that purpose.

Those who have been benefited by the use of this water have advertised it to that extent throughout the country that Mr. Foust has been compelled to bottle it up for shipment, and all through the year at any season can fill all orders that may be sent to him.

Among the many diseases that this water has cured can be mentioned, dyspepsia, kidney and bladder troubles. It has proven to be excellent for teething children; for diarrhoea, dysentery, and for many diseases peculiar to the female sex. This water is now on sale among the druggists; and from the benefit that I myself have received from the use of this water I can take pleasure in recommending to all, this Water of Life. Without any exaggerating Mr. Foust has certainly given it the proper name.

In the year 1853 the land for a town was laid off here and a good many lots sold and some buildings erected, in which are now living a kind and unpretentious people; but the late war stopped the growth of the place, yet there still remains to-day in this immediate vicinity, the same inducements to establish a town that existed when the question was somewhat agitated to form a new county from Moore, Randolph and Chatham. Some of the prominent citizens of this section say that it would be a very great convenience to the people living in the corners of these three counties to run a line that would not necessarily hurt either of the counties above mentioned, and to take in an area of about 40 miles and let Mount Vernon Springs be the county seat. The distance from here to the new county line would be about 10 miles all around, and that the section taken in would form a fine farming country.

This is truly a grain, clover and grass section and is a splendid country for stock raising. Mr. Foust is now cutting clover from a patch that is about one-half waist high. There are a great many inducements to be offered by Mount Vernon and the surrounding country, to those desiring to engage in manufacturing pursuits as well as agriculture. The lands for miles around are covered with a fine growth of quite a variety of hard timber, such as oak, hickory, dogwood, persimmon and walnut. There is not so much pine, but a plenty for building purposes. Mr. Foust tells me that he has been contemplating for some time starting a steam tannery, and he has about decided to do so this fall. There are a good many enterprises that could be engaged in (with profit, I am sure,) at this place from the fact, in the first place, it being such a healthy locality. This would be an inducement in procuring a good class of operatives. In the next place, so far as material is concerned, a plenty of it could be procured at a comparatively small expense, and then again, just four miles from here are fine water sites along the banks of Rocky river. The time is evidently coming, I think, when the natural advantages of Mount Vernon will be eagerly sought after by those seeking to make money and live comfortably.

The Bessemer Iron and Steel Company, of Greensboro, have begun to get ready for work at Ore Hill, and a gentleman who has charge of a squad of hands who are engaged in clearing up the old mining site told me, no longer than last Saturday, that just about three-fourths of a mile from the hotel there has been found the richest vein of iron ore that has yet been discovered since the prospecting of the company began. From the preparations that we are going forward we believe that the day is not far distant when the traveler will see springing up at Mount Vernon Springs one of the most pleasant and prettiest little towns to be found in the State, and we look upon this part of the State as being a good locality for moneyed men to invest. We are told that there is a good deal of valuable property near here for sale at reasonable figures, and in a few years from now the indications are that it will demand a much higher price.

During the hunting season sportsmen can have all the fun desired shooting partridges. I am told any quantity of these species of the little feathered tribe inhabit the woods and fields around, and Mr. Foust takes the greatest pleasure in doing all that he can to add to the pleasure of those who come here to engage in this and other sports. During the time I have spent at this delightful place, whether it was in the summer or winter, I have found the climate pleasant during the hottest of weather. During the summer there is always felt a cool, refreshing breeze circulating, while in the winter the air is crisp and bracing.

There are within a short distance of the hotel two churches. The Presbyterian and Missionary Baptist. The Presbyterian church is a neat frame structure and will seat about five hundred comfortably. It is beautifully located and the membership is increasing. The pastor, Rev. W. F. Thom, is a very liberal, upright christian gentleman, whose heart is filled with charity to other denominations, and ministers of other denominations, are invited to preach. Sunday school is taught in this church every Sunday morning, and it was a very pleasant hour to us that we spent at this church participating in the Sunday exercises. The Baptist church sits upon a high hill, near the school building. It was built in the year 1859. The Rev. Stephen Gilmore is the pastor.

We have tried to find out how the place first got its name, Mount Vernon, but have failed to get the satisfactory information. It was at one time called Mineral Springs. Then, some years later, it was known as Hickory Springs. As to the term "Mount," we can very readily understand, on account of the high elevation, and it is thought that the "Vernon" part was named in honor of George Washington's birthplace. There is a good deal more that could be said about this place of rest and health, and then not do it justice. We might go on in a flourishing manner, describing the beauties of nature that adorn and surround this spot, and give such a glowing description as is

sometimes seen in newspapers, which makes the reader think that it is Paradise itself; but our object is to state facts, for the purpose of telling those who feel as if they need rest, where to find it, and also to give those suffering from pain and disease, a brief description of a medicine furnished by the Physician of all physicians, that has for years and years been such a blessing to the many thousands that have used it. In conclusion, I do not ask the reader to take my word about what I have said. Just get off at Ore Hill some day, and come out to the springs, and see what it is for yourself. You will find a clever host and hostess, who will make you feel at home with them. H. B. H.

WAKE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The Dates for the Primaries and the Convention—The Number of Votes for Each Township.

At a meeting of the Democratic Executive committee of Wake county, held in the city of Raleigh on the 7th day of June, 1890, it was ordered that a convention of the Democratic party of Wake county be held in the city of Raleigh, at 12 m., on Saturday, June 28, '90, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Judicial and Congressional conventions pursuant to the plan of organization of the Democratic party.

And Saturday, June 21st, 1890, being fixed by the committee as the day for the meeting of the several township conventions, all Democrats of this county are requested to meet in convention in their respective townships at the usual place of meeting, unless otherwise directed by the Democratic township committees, on Saturday, June 21st, 1890, for the purpose of selecting delegates from the Democratic voters of their respective townships to represent them in said county convention.

By order of the committee.
 ED. CHAMBERS SMITH, Chm'n.

The following is the number of votes to which each township is entitled in the Convention:

Vote of Wake County for Governor.	
PRECINCT.	FOVLE. VOTES.
Raleigh—First Ward, 355	14
" Second Ward, 171	7
" Third Ward, 177	7
" Fourth Ward, 82	3
" Fifth Ward, 356	14
" East—Outside, 64	2
" West—Outside, 154	6
Barton's Creek, 188	7
Buckhorn, 214	8
Cary, 136	5
Cedar Fork, 137	5
Honess's Creek, 152	6
Little River, 230	9
Mark's Creek, 172	7
Middle Creek, 242	10
Neuse, 88	3
New Light, 218	9
Oak Grove, 181	7
Saint Mary's, 312	12
Saint Matthews, 116	5
Swift Creek, 317	9
Wake Forest, 309	12
White Oak, 245	10
Total,	4,618 182

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In Effect Feb. 16th, 1890.

SOUTHBOUND.		DAILY.	
	No. 50.	No. 52.	
Lv. Richmond.....	*3:00 p m	*2:30 a m	
" Burkeville.....	4:00 p m	4:59 a m	
" Keyville.....	5:41 p m	5:08 a m	
" Danville.....	8:40 p m	8:05 a m	
Ar. Greensboro.....	10:37 p m	9:43 a m	
Lv. Greensboro.....	*2:30 p m	*5:00 p m	
Ar. Raleigh.....	4:40 p m	9:00 p m	
Lv. Raleigh.....	*4:45 p m	*1:00 a m	
" Durham.....	5:48 p m	2:55 a m	
Ar. Greensboro.....	8:30 p m	7:30 a m	
Lv. Winston-Salem.....	*5:30 p m	*6:15 a m	
" Greensboro.....	*10:37 p m	*9:50 a m	
Ar. Salisbury.....	12:26 a m	11:18 a m	
" Statesville.....	*1:49 a m	*12:09 p m	
" Asheville.....	7:23 a m	4:27 p m	
" Hot Springs.....	9:33 a m	6:15 p m	
Lv. Salisbury.....	*12:32 a m	*11:23 a m	
Ar. Charlotte.....	2:05 a m	13:40 p m	
" Spartanburg.....	4:51 a m	3:38 p m	
" Greenville.....	5:56 a m	4:46 p m	
" Atlanta.....	11:00 a m	9:40 p m	
Lv. Charlotte.....	*3:20 a m	*1:00 p m	
Ar. Columbia.....	6:30 a m	5:10 p m	
" Augusta.....	10:30 a m	9:00 p m	

NORTHBOUND.		DAILY.	
	No. 51.	No. 53.	
Lv. Augusta.....	*6:10 p m	*8:50 a m	
" Columbia.....	10:35 p m	12:50 p m	
Ar. Charlotte.....	3:13 a m	5:15 p m	
Lv. Atlanta.....	*6:00 p m	*7:10 a m	
Ar. Greenville.....	12:35 a m	1:48 p m	
" Spartanburg.....	1:39 a m	2:52 p m	
" Charlotte.....	4:25 a m	5:30 p m	
" Salisbury.....	6:02 a m	7:05 p m	
Lv. Hot Springs.....	*11:10 p m	*12:25 p m	
" Asheville.....	12:40 a m	2:07 p m	
" Statesville.....	5:02 a m	6:06 p m	
Ar. Salisbury.....	5:53 a m	6:50 p m	
Lv. Salisbury.....	*6:07 a m	*7:12 p m	
Ar. Greensboro.....	7:45 a m	8:40 p m	
Ar. Winston-Salem.....	*11:40 a m	*12:30 a m	
Lv. Greensboro.....	*9:45 a m	*11:00 p m	
Ar. Durham.....	12:01 p m	5:00 a m	
" Raleigh.....	1:05 p m	7:45 a m	
Lv. Raleigh.....	*1:05 p m	*9:00 a m	
Ar. Goldsboro.....	3:00 p m	12:50 p m	
Lv. Greensboro.....	*7:50 a m	*8:50 p m	
Ar. Danville.....	9:32 a m	10:20 p m	
" Keyville.....	12:45 p m	1:50 a m	
" Burkeville.....	1:35 p m	2:45 a m	
" Richmond.....	3:45 p m	5:15 a m	

BETWEEN

West Point, Richmond and Raleigh.

Via Keyville, Oxford and Durham.

54 & 102	STATIONS.	55 & 103
*8:00 a m	Lv. West Point.....Ar	6:10 p m
9:40 a m	Ar. Richmond.....Lv	14:45 p m
*11:00 a m	Lv. Richmond.....Ar	4:40 p m
1:00 p m	" Burkeville.....Ar	4:45 p m
2:05 p m	" Keyville.....Ar	5:00 p m
3:25 p m	" Fort Mitchell.....Ar	12:58 p m
3:52 p m	" Finney Wood.....Ar	12:47 p m
4:45 p m	" Chasewood.....Ar	12:50 p m
5:05 p m	" Five Forks.....Ar	12:10 p m
5:20 p m	" Clarksville.....Ar	11:55 a m
5:35 p m	" Soudan.....Ar	11:40 a m
5:50 p m	" Bullock's.....Ar	11:24 a m
6:05 p m	" Stevalls.....Ar	11:15 a m
6:23 p m	Ar. Oxford.....Lv	*10:46 a m
4:00 p m	Lv. Oxford.....Ar	10:00 a m
5:15 p m	Ar. Lenoir.....Lv	9:25 a m
5:45 p m	" Henderson.....Ar	*8:55 a m
4:22 p m	Lv. Oxford.....Ar	10:46 a m
4:45 p m	" Lyon.....Ar	10:16 a m
4:55 p m	" Stearns.....Ar	10:09 a m
5:17 p m	" Holloway.....Ar	9:43 a m
5:38 p m	" Durham.....Ar	9:25 a m
5:58 p m	" Carey.....Ar	8:33 a m
6:08 p m	Ar. Raleigh.....Lv	*8:15 a m

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